

## Senate Resolution 311

By: Senators Davenport of the 44th, Tate of the 38th, James of the 35th, Orrock of the 36th, Williams of the 39th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 8, 2019, as Spelman College Day at the state capitol; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Spelman College was founded on April 11, 1881; will celebrate its 138th  
4 Founders Day this year; and is a proud member of the Atlanta University Center Consortium;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Spelman College has long been recognized as the leading educator of women  
7 of African descent; it is now named among the top 100 liberal arts colleges in the nation and  
8 is one of the most selective women's colleges in the United States; and

9 WHEREAS, Spelman College has continued its proud tradition of excellence by, among  
10 other notable achievements, maintaining a 75 percent graduation rate; by being listed as one  
11 of the nation's top colleges in *U.S. News & World Report*; by establishing a mentorship  
12 program in 1988; by establishing its International Affairs Center in 1989; and by sending its  
13 flag into space with Mae Jemison, the first Black woman astronaut; and

14 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the rich history and outstanding  
15 accomplishments of this extraordinary college be appropriately recognized.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
17 commend Spelman College for its innumerable contributions to society and recognize March  
18 8, 2019, as Spelman College Day at the state capitol.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
20 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Spelman College.